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A System and a Method of Operation:

Thereof for Analyzing the

Performance of a Tape Recorder

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment accompanies the filing under 37CFR1.53(b) of a Continuation Application of parent application Serial No. 09/100,701 filed June 19, 1998.

The specification that accompanies the above-identified continuation application has been updated to incorporate the subject matter of the amendment filed in the response to the First Office Action of March 3, 2000 of parent Serial No. 09/100,701. That amendment was entered and therefore this continuation application filed herewith does not add new matter.